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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1871.

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## Arrivals.

Aug. 13, HERA, Brit. 3-m. sch., 520, Hoffmann, Bangkok 5th August, 9,000 piculs Rice and 1,000 piculs Pepper-Cunesse.

Aug. 14, SUN-FOO, Brit. sch., 916, G. L. Castle, Shanghai 9th August, General-Age. Heard & Co.

Aug. 14, MICHAEL, French, bk., 271, Lahus, Saigon 4th August, Rice—CHINESE.

Aug. 13, SAPHIRE, Brit. bk., 295, Gaycock, Newchwang 25th July, 6,500 piculs Beans—CHINESE.

Aug. 14, RENE, French, bk., 370, Herve, Sydney 16th June, Goods—P. M. S. Co.

Aug. 15, BUA CAAO, Shan bk., 883, Buckland, Put back.

Aug. 15, VENONIA, Brit. bk., 393, W. Evans, London April 1st, General-GILMAN & Co.

## Departures.

Aug. 13, DENTA, for Foochow.

Aug. 13, G. C. L. MYER, for Swatow.

Aug. 14, JOSEPH HAMBO, for Whampoa.

Aug. 14, NARSHILLE, for Whampoa.

Aug. 14, SAMPAI, for Saigon.

Aug. 15, CHIN CHIN, for London.

## Clearances.

At the HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE, 12th August.

Huwilai, for Yokohama.

Fortune, for Chefoo.

Joseph Hanabu, for Whampoa.

Chin Chin, for London.

Royal, for Chefoo.

Isle of Wright, for Calcutta.

Suspense, for Saigon.

Mahsida, for Whampoa.

Ensuite Ernestine, for Amoy.

## Passengers.

For Hera, from Bangkok, 3 Chinese.

For Sun-foo, str. from Shanghai, 20 Chinese.

For Fortune, str. from Tamsui, &c., 6 Chinese.

## Reports.

The British 3-masted schooner Hera, from Bangkok 5th August, reports strong SW. monsoon all the passage to Hongkong.

The British steamer Suaso, from Shanghai 6th August, reported strong South-westerly and Southerly winds all the passage; passed the steamer Vega at the light ship, bound in; passed a steamer bound North at 10 a.m., supposed to be the Amoyship; had very heavy rain during the passage.

The British barque Sybille, Capt. Garriob, from Newchow 24th July, reports very heavy winds from the N.E. and S.E. throughout the passage.

The French bark Res, reports calms and plenty of sun up the Hainan Sea; experienced much head wind, excepting outside very steady weather, with winds from the S. and very heavy sea from the S.W.

The British steamship Formosa, left Tamsui on the 7th August, and experienced strong E.N.E. gale with high sea, the weather being fine and clear, barometer ranging from 29.40 to 28.50, arrived at Amoy on the 10th instant, having had clear weather; at 2 p.m. the barometer falling with dark threatening appearances to the E., wind veering to S. and W.; at 7 p.m. barometer still falling, with increased threatening appearances; stood in for Tongkang Harbour, thermometer 29.52, thermometer 38; at 10 a.m. on the 10th, the wind moderate, the sky overcast with rain, and wind veering from N.W. to E., barometer ranging from 29.49 to 29.45, thermometer 31.2 to 29.50, wind moderate, moderate gales with much rain; thermometer 29.43; at 7 p.m. barometer 29.45, thermometer 31; steamer Orlana proceeded on to Shanghai; midnight, strong breeze with rain, thermometer 29.67, thermometer 79; on 12th instant, fresh breeze with hard squalls and heavy rain, barometer rising; at 6.20 a.m. weighed and proceeded, weather overcast, wind Southerly, thermometer 29.69; at 4.45 p.m. arrived in Shanghai; 13th instant, at 7.20 a.m. left Shanghai, had S.S. Elvira, 1000 tons, bound for Swatow; 15th instant, off Hainan Point, passed steamer Yung-teng going North; also a big rigged steamer; at 4 p.m. passed the Kwangtung, off Tongkang, bound North.

## Auction Sale To-day.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO., Cotton.

## THE HABEAS CORPUS CASES,

### NOW READY.

(Unison with the Two Previous Judgments.)  
THE full text of the TRIAL of KWOK-A-SING v. THE HON. J. PAUNCEFOTE.—Price 25 cents.

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INDO-CHINESE SUGAR COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the 35th Clause of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Third Call of Twelve Dollars and Fifty cents per share is payable on the 30th June current at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of Two per cent per annum will be charged on all calls paid after that day.

By Order,

A. NOEL BLAKEMORE, Secretary.

1186 Hongkong, 8th June, 1871.

## NOTICE.

M. R. WILLIAM ABBOTT TURNBULL is authorized to sign our firm from this date.

BIRLEY, WORTELLINGTON & CO. of 1829 Shanghai, 1st May, 1871.

THE Undersigned having this day entered into partnership as Merchants and Commission Agents, will conduct their business under the name and style of NORTON, LYALL & CO.

EDWARD NORTON,

ROBERT LYALL,

of 1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1871.

## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors.—

Chairman—HON. R. BOWDISH.

Deputy Chairman—T. D. LEWIS, Esq.

Esq. R. BIRLEY, Esq.

George J. HALAND, Esq.

J. JONES, Esq.

Manager—James Grose, Esq.

Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.

London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

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JAMES DRIGG, City Manager.

Office of the Corporation.

No. 1 Queen's Road East.

10621, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1871.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Fourth

Call of Twenty-five dollars per Share on the Shares in the Capital of the Corporation, numbered from 20,001 to 40,000, inclusive, was payable on the 1st day of JULY, 1871, at the Head Office and Branches of the Banks.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per centum per annum will be charged on the amount of all calls unpaid, and interest will be charged on the 30th of each of the Deeds of Settlement of the Corporation will also be enforced in respect of Shares upon which the Calls remain unpaid.

By order of the Court of Directors.

JAMES DRIGG,

Chief Manager.

1181, Hongkong, 3rd July, 1871.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Provisional Committee of the

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(Term 1872-74).

GENTLEMEN, I hereby request that you will allot to me, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, and agree to accept such Shares or any less number you may allot to me, and agree to pay the First Call of Tls. 300 per Share, and all subsequent Calls, and to subscribe the Deed of Settlement whenever required to do so.

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## The Daily Press

Honkong, August 15th, 1871.

The discussion which took place at the recent meeting of the Indo-Chinese Sugar Company cannot be passed by without some notice, but at the same time in view of the arbitration which is pending, and the promise of further information on "financial" matters which has been made by the Directors, it would be inappropriate to dilate upon anything more than what was actually stated on the occasion. In commenting upon the matter we shall, therefore, strictly confine ourselves to the "Record." A careful consideration of all that has been advanced can lead to no other conclusion than that there were some mistakes on both sides. If the suggestors of the Company were perhaps too sanguine in their views as to the price at which the cane could be procured in such quantities as would be required for the factory at Saigon, it cannot on the other hand be denied that an error was committed by all concerned in overlooking the extreme probability of a combination among the natives of the districts in which the cane was to be obtained, the moment they found a large Company entering the field as purchasers. That this contingency was not carefully borne in mind by persons familiar with business in China is one of the strange instances of the manner in which the shrewdest men at times overlook very obvious facts; and this is, perhaps, in a general point of view, the most important matter to which attention should be directed at a warning in respect to future enterprises of a similar kind. As to the merits of the charges which were made regarding the action of the promoters, and the explanations which were given, we must leave the public to form their own opinions, only observing that it will be but to suspend judgment until further information than was possible to give at a public meeting as forgoing. The letter which appears elsewhere from Messrs. Wates, Smith & Co., and which, after publishing the report of what took place at the meeting, we have folio called upon to insert, throws a new and important light upon the matter, as it shows that, after taking steps to verify the statements made by those gentlemen, Mr. Coster was himself of opinion that the case could be presented at eight cents per picul, so that the trial in this respect was not made by Messrs. Wates, Smith & Co., alone but was equally fallen into by the agent of the Company. Mr. Kinsman, though he read the report at the meeting, did not lay special stress upon the exact bearing of this point, but he boldly challenged the Directors to substantiate their very slightly disguised innuendo that the original suggestors of the scheme gave incorrect information concerning the price at which the cane could be procured, and the answer given amounted to a statement that a Chinese interpreter, who was asked the question, had informed Mr. Coster, the General Manager, that Messrs. Wates, Smith & Co. had paid considerably higher rates than they spoke of when the prospectus was made, combined with some additional information, coming through a European quarter, but it must be borne in mind that probably originating from a native source, that certain specified fields had also been purchased at higher rates than those mentioned. The accuracy of both these statements was unhesitatingly denied by Mr. Kinsman, who urged just without considerable force, that it was not right to take the statements of a Chinese boy as evidence of what his firm had paid for cane. Such is a bare summary of the facts, and it cannot be denied that they leave the question in an unsatisfactory position—and under circumstances, we can only wait for further information, which may probably be forthcoming after the arbitration which is now proceeding, has been brought to a close.

As respects the course of action adopted by the Company, it is certainly unfortunate that they were not placed by Mr. Coster in possession of more accurate particulars when he first reported on the subject. A portion, however, of the mistake made by him was no doubt overlooking the likelihood of native combination, but still it cannot be denied that his report was extremely sanguine. His little more caution had been adopted in coming to a conclusion, at least as much as is now known might have been ascertained in a very short space of time, and the possibility of the Company being misled by any errors on the part of Messrs. Wates, Smith & Co. have been thus entirely avoided. No doubt a man or a Company is justified in acting upon definite information coming from a source which he has good reason to believe reliable if the source "can alone" possess it; and if the information "can alone" possess it, and if accepted turns out to be wrong, Equity will provide a remedy, and mutual contract made on the faith of it. But for obvious reasons the master stands differently where purchasers have the means of ascertaining facts for themselves. In this case they are obliged to use due vigilance. Of course in setting enterprises such as the one under consideration or foot, people are very apt to be over sanguine, and may often go to work in a less systematic and cold-blooded business-like way than is desirable; but still if evil results are brought about by any want of proper carelessness, those who should have put it in force cannot but feel that they have themselves in a measure to thank for the disaster. The affair is one which no doubt caused the Directors much disappointment; and this feeling may have induced them to go further than under ordinary circumstances would be the case. We cannot believe, however, that they intended to go so far as to assert that there was a wilful misrepresentation of the facts, as it was quite unnecessary, even if holding that some explanation was called for, to come to any such conclusion. Without an effort to thought, and in making their report Messrs. Wates, Smith & Co. may have inadvertently overlooked this prospect. This is the extreme conclusion which ought to be held until the question has been thoroughly investigated; and as before said, it is only just to suspend all judgment pending the dispute and bring proceedings which are now before the Arbitrators.

A telegram has been received stating that the M. M. steamer *La Nasa*, with the outward mails and passengers, left Saigon on the morning of the 15th instant, at 10 a.m.

The Band of H.M.'s 53rd (Shropshire) Regiment will perform in the Public Gardens today, commencing at 5.45 p.m. The following is the programme:

March—Men of Harlech... Godfrey  
Overture—Belle Isle... Verdi  
Quadrille—Spanish Beauty... Ralls  
Selection—Marches... O'Carroll  
Valse... Clarion... O'Carroll  
Pavane... Spanish... Godfrey  
God Save the Queen... Bull

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK MEETING.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders in the above corporation took place yesterday at the "Oxley Hall," Bon. R. Street, Hongkong.

The CHAIRMAN having read the report, said that there remained nothing to do with such a report. If any explanations were required, the directors would be most happy to give them. It was very satisfactory to see what progress the Bank had made, and to be able to pass a large sum to the reserve fund. With these observations he would move the adoption of the report, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Hayter, and carried unanimous.

The CHAIRMAN then announced that the dividend would become payable this day.

Messrs. Wm. L. Low, and G. F. Waller were unanimously elected directors in place of Messrs. B. L. Leavenworth and G. H. Horn, and a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Directors having been proposed by Mr. A. Deacon, and carried with acclamation, the meeting separated.

## VICE-ADMIRALTY COURT.

14th August, 1871.  
Before the Hon. Justice SMITH,  
Capt. YOUNG, R.N., and Capt. BAR, R.N.,  
assessors.

*Lancaster v. Volga.*

At the opening of the Court, the Chief Justice announced that the Assessors had seen the *Volga* that morning, had observed the piece of port bow which had pulled round, and the starboard side of the sternpost which could have been produced by it. At present his opinion on that point rather negatived the probability, as the shape of the stem was inconsistent with the possibility of its touching the copper. But he did not see that the question of the actual blow, or the first contact was of great importance, as the damage was done subsequently.

Mr. Quayle called and it was very apparent with regard to the merits of the case. Mr. Hayter proposed to recall Capt. Eaton, who could, he believed, explain the matter.

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The Queen's Advocate remarked that the Captain could not have seen all this, as he was standing on the poop. The evidence was, however, taken.

Mr. Hayter then addressed the Court on the question of the theory of the *Lancaster*'s case, was, that it was a port lookout that had been kept on board the *Volga*. It appeared from the evidence on the side of the latter, that the starboard lookout was not the first person to sight the *Lancaster*'s light, but that they had been pointed out to him by the quarter master, who was behind him at the time. This showed that the lookout was not efficient. It was very strange that the *Lancaster* had not been aware of the first appearance of the *Volga*, for it must have been the first light visible. From the *Lancaster* the *Volga*'s green and bright lights had first been seen half a point on the port bow, therefore the *Lancaster*'s red light must have been visible at that time to the *Volga*. The fact that it had not been seen showed that a good lookout had not been kept, and that it attributed the fault to the *Lancaster*. But the *Volga* witness, who swore that the *Volga* was always on the port side of the *Volga*, and could never have seen her green light. If it were true that the *Volga* came up to a standstill on the port bow till within 400 yards, then the *Lancaster* was right in standing on the starboard side, but if she had starboarded, as the look-out was not standing in the line of the keel, it might well have been a little on the starboard side. The time that the *Volga* sighted the two lights was, he contended, sometime when the mate of the *Lancaster* was bringing his ship up two points. That movement containing the harpoon shortly shot out red light and showed only the green. At that time it was clearly the duty of the mate to stand by the wheel, and to see that the lights were very rapidly converging, as 15 knots, or a mile in 4 minutes, as that the distance between them would have been traversed in 6 or 7 minutes, assuming them 14 or 15 miles. But the vessels must have been very much nearer than that, because Captain Boules immediately gave the order to port, then hard a port, before the *Volga* sighted the two lights above, the *Volga* ported. It was evident that the *Volga* was bound to port, then hard a port, before the *Volga* sighted the two lights above, the *Volga* ported. He did not say she was wrong, in doing so when the two lights were seen right ahead, but a very short time afterwards the green light of the *Lancaster* was visible again, and at that point the Captain of the *Volga* was entirely wrong. If he was in doubt he ought to have stopped and reversed at that point, according to the ordinary rule. The *Volga* had been to the right of the *Lancaster*, and if she had at once reversed she would have gone astern. It was by taking a half measure at this point that the Captain failed to remedy his first mistake; and thus from beginning to end the blame lay with him. 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ENGLISH LOVER.

A single instance of such a case recently occurred in Western Texas. It is given in the *Post-Herald*. It seems that a young man named Chando, a native of Rochester, England, had made love to a beautiful half-breeding girl, 16 years of age. The girl was half Apache and half French. In addition to her great beauty, she was intelligent, vivacious, and, as active and alert as an antelope. She was gentle and affectionate, and no one expected her of possessing such a character. She was the most unusually graceful and winsome of the girls of her age. The English lover unfortunately became acquainted with a white girl named Wilson, who was on a visit from a Southern State to her friends in Western Texas. Miss Wilson was beautiful and accomplished; and her civilized graces proved more than a match for the barbaric attractions of the Apache girl. The result was that Chando deserted his half-breed girl, and became engaged to Miss Wilson. This was a fatal mistake. On hearing of the faithlessness of her lover, the hitherto undivided instincts of her Apache blood were roused to all their savage fury in the breast of the untutored belle of the forest. Arming herself with a revolver, she went to the residence of her lover, crept softly to his room, and shot him through the heart as he sat writing a note to his sweetheart. She was captured by a party of Indians, and condemned to die at the stake. Her old lover, however, had been fortunate enough to escape, and was subsequently granted to the family of Lord Willoughby d'Armeny. Their relatives dismissed the appeal, with consternation.

A controversy has sprung up as to who shall be the American Government's financial agent in London. The Bank of England holds this position now, and it is not known whether the new American bank established there by Cooke, Mitchell, & Co., The Bankers will continue it without a struggle, and yet the aspirants are said to have but dim prospects of success. The matter is believed to be in the hands of the Secretary of the Treasury. Some time ago a claim to this agency was made by another house in London, and the decision was referred to Mr. Adams, the American Minister, who determined to retain the Bankers, who still hold it.

A HARD MAN TO HANG.

Hanging a man in the United States is performed by jerking him upwards, not by letting him fall. A murderer executed May 26, at Evansville, Indiana, died in 10 minutes. Another, hung on the same day at Potosi, New York, was pronounced dead in 14 minutes. 10 minutes is the time the rope was allowed to hang, and still less time was required. The man was still breathing when minute account is given of Belloff, who was hung at Binghamton, a week before.

AS EIGHT MINUTES.

At eight minutes the lungs were filled by inhalation; at nine minutes there were 21 pulsations to the minute; at 12 minutes the pulse was imperceptible; at 14 minutes there was no pulsation of the heart. pronounced dead in 20 minutes." When jerked up to the height of his head in the stocks, he panted at 3000 to 3600 times per minute. He died painless at 3000 to 3600 times per minute. Handcuffs were applied, and the body hung down upon the ropes pulled out of the stocks. Eyes closed started from their sockets to see that hand move backwards three or more inches and thrust itself into the pocket just as it was before." Much interest was excited about Belloff, from his having been long trying to get credit for a new philosophical theory, and physicians examined him before he was executed to ascertain whether he was sane. On the night before his execution he was visited three times by parties desirous of obtaining his head; but the New York Tribune states that the head was cut off before the burial, and handed over to surgeons, who report that the brain weighed no less than 55 ounces. The body was 5ft. 10in. high, and 19in. across the shoulders; the weight, in good condition, was about 175 lbs. The lower portion of the brain was unusually large. The skull was in no part less than three-eighths of an inch in thickness. The brain is to be barbecued, and impressions thus taken.

THE GIGANTIC MARRIAGE.

(All Hall Gault, June 17.) When giant meets giant then comes the tug of love. A marriage between two persons, who, combined, ought to be the arithmetic sum of all the world's beauty, as depicted by newspapers, where the wife and husband are described as the "giantess" and "the giant," would appear to be of participating tender years, would approximate to that of two lamp-pads placed one upon the top of the other, is an event which cannot be properly appreciated save by such an enterprising soul as Barzini. Something similar may be common enough in Patagonia; but in this country it is an occurrence almost as rare and interesting as the birth of a Zogorro Gaint, or of an infant hippopotamus. For the sake of the record, it was only right that the Royal parish church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields should be chosen; and those happy beings who this morning saw sixteen feet of humanity made one sweep will be right, with reason to boast of their posterity, that they were witnesses of a sublime sight, or, as Americans would say, a truly spectacular. It is well known that any Royal wedding is the subject of much interest. Giants are known to be weak, especially in the knees; and from the days of Polyphemus they have always been very susceptible of the tender passion. But poor Polyphemus could cast but a single sheep's eye, and couldn't find anybody taller than Goliath upon whom to cast it. Our giant, who was this morning married in our Royal parish, was more than a public exhibition, and was loved. The giant proposed, and was accepted; and this morning Miss Anna Swan, "the tallest person known to exist," was joined together in wedlock with Captain Martin Van Buren Bates, whose Christian name may have suggested the idea of conferring such distinction as has been conferred upon the church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. It is certainly a case of the best of all possible worlds; and the world's thoughts in general upon what grounds the union was concluded. It is well known that there is a case of true love, of which the cause undoubtedly ran high, if which the course did not run smooth. It may have been due to a sense of symmetry and fitness; for it is easy to conceive that each, at the first glance, must have felt made for the other, and that the gallant captain must have uttered in the words of Geraint, "here by God's grace I am thy man." Or it may have been, as the cynical old gods suggest, a marriage of cold calculation, for marriage is of itself an advertisement, and a bride is always, for some inexplicable reason, a more interesting spectacle than a spinner or a matron. It would be an unwarrantable liberty to pronounce an opinion about the cause which has produced so remarkable a union, and besides, we are too late for it by this time. The best token of sympathy for better or worse, for shorter or taller.

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